

REMARKS

This Response is submitted in reply to the Office Action dated June 23, 2008. Claims 12-14 stand withdrawn. Please debit Deposit Account No. 02-1818 for all payments due in connection with this Response.

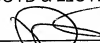
The Office Action rejected claims 1-11 and 15-55 on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claim 1 of U.S. Patent No. 6,688,977. As suggested by the Office Action, Applicant has elected to overcome such rejection by submitting the enclosed Terminal Disclaimer. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that this application is in condition for allowance.

An earnest endeavor has been made to place this application in condition for formal allowance, and such action is courteously solicited. If the Examiner has any questions regarding this Response, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner contact the undersigned.

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